

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Poland Invaded – September 1, 1939 73rd Anniversary of World War II

Saturday, September 1st, marks the 73rd Anniversary (September 1, 1939) of the invasion of Poland by the Nazi Hoards and the beginning of the most devastating war in the annals of history.

This war, parallel to none for mass slaughter of humanity, began with Hitler’s plan of Genocide for the Polish Nation. The entire military force of the Third Reich treacherously fell upon unsuspecting Poland, without a declaration of war at daybreak of September 1st. The attack was so quick that Warsaw was being bombed before the radios had the opportunity to tell the world that war broke out.

Disregarding the fact that Warsaw had a civilian population of over a million, the Nazis proclaimed it to be a “Fortress” and proceeded to bomb it mercilessly with artillery and from the air. Day after day, shells and bombs fell not only on military targets, but on residential areas, hospitals marked with the red cross and on churches and schools.

The brave Poles fought with everything they had, stopping the vaunted Nazi’s supermen for thirty days, despite the tremendous odds against them. However, on October 1st, the Nazis marched into Warsaw which at that time was still on fire and where whole streets were reduced to ruins.

Poland was 90% destroyed by the butchers of Hitler.

Poland, *FIRST TO FIGHT*, sacrificed herself on the altars of martyrdom giving the world a chance to arm, a world which eventually beat down the Nazi beasts and ended the holocaust in 1944. When Poland fell, Polish troops joined the armies of all nations all over the world and came back with them to see the Nazis defeated. Because of the heroic Poles, Britain finally beat the German Air Force and saved London and England.

Although Poland was the first to fight, and her sons and daughters fought all over the world for victory, Poland was sold out at the peace tables at Yalta by her own allies led by Roosevelt, Churchill and their advisors.

Today, the history of World War II is being written by many who callously overlook the role Poland played including British writers who give Poland a lesser and lesser role in the defense of the world.

Long live Poland!

– Editor Emeritus Chester Grabowski (1925 - 2012)

Labor Day Tips From The U.S. Labor Secretary

On Labor Day 2012 and every day, one of my top priorities is to help those looking for work get the training they need for good-paying jobs.

By 2020, 17 of the 30 fastest-growing occupations will require a postsecondary certificate or degree. In fact, employers are actively looking to fill nearly 4 million job openings in America right now. Getting the skills employers want and need are critical to a successful career.

Here are a few tips:

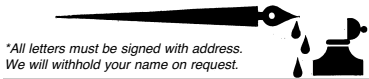
- **Get started!** Your first step is to check out your local American Job Center. These nearly 3,000 "one-stop-shops" are part of a nationwide network where you can work with experts to update your resume, strengthen interview skills and explore current job openings. Find your local center by visiting CareerOneStop.org.
- **Looking for a fresh start?** Check out MySkillsMyFuture.org to discover different careers that build off of your existing skills, connect you to free training programs and even find employers in your area looking to hire. The site also shows how much different jobs pay near you or across the country, as well as the additional skills you'll need to succeed.
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- **Don't have Internet access at home?** We've partnered with local libraries all around the country to make sure that you always have a place to log on to our online resources. Most American Job Centers offer free access for those looking for a job, too.
- **Have more questions?** Call us. You can reach our toll-free helpline at (866) 4-USA-DOL for the most up to date resources. Nearly 160,000 people do it each month. And yes, we speak Spanish!

The United States Department of Labor has other resources to help you find a first job, new job or different career. And our services are free. *Happy Labor Day!*

– U.S. Labor Secretary Hilda L. Solis

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Have an opinion... Drop us a line.



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Ukrainian Famine & Murders At Katyn... Acts of Revenge

Letter to the Editor:

Most readers of Polish descent know the significance of September 1, 1939 and the murders at Katyn, but I would like to add something that occurred on August 31, 1920 that may have influenced both the “Ukrainian Famine” and the murders at Katyn.

After World War 1, the borders of Poland were not defined by either the League of Nations or the peace agreement ending the war. In fact, Poland fought “brush wars” with Czechoslovakia in 1919 over Cieszyn, three with Germany over Silesia (the last in 1921), Lithuania (1919-1920), the Ukraine (1918-1919), and the biggest one with the Soviet Union (1919-1921). We shall concentrate on the war with the Soviet Union.

In 1920, Lenin amassed a huge army led by General Tukhachevshy (other spellings also) of 700,000 soldiers aimed at Warsaw with the ultimate goal of Berlin. A second army, consisting of the Cossack cavalry led by General Budyonny (also other spellings) consisting of a minimum of 17,500 cavalry, was poised to strike Poland from the south.

In August, 1920, General Pilsudski fought two battles that destroyed the northern Russian army, first at Warsaw (the “Miracle on the Vistula”) and the second was the second battle of the Nieman River.

The third major battle fought between the Cossack cavalry and the Polish cavalry, led by the Polish General Rommel, around the city of Komarow in the Ukraine. This battle is important because of two factors: first, the Cossack army was totally destroyed as a fighting unit; and, secondly, the political commissar for the Cossacks was JOSEPH STALIN. He literally had to run away from the victorious Polish cavalry of 1,700 men or be captured or killed with 4,000 thousand other Cossacks.

I believe he murdered the Polish officers at Katyn because he never forgot that the ideals of Communism were crushed by the Polish army during that month in August of 1920. He also did not forget the Ukrainians who supported the Poles by starving millions to death in 1932. Both were acts of revenge.

EDWARD SOBCZAK
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Figure of Jesus Covered At University

Editor:

When Obama was invited to speak at Georgetown University, he demanded that the figure of Jesus

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PSFCU Members Call For Special Meeting

By John Czop

Credit Unions are different from banks. Banks are governed by shareholders who vote their stock, each share has one vote. Credit unions are governed by their membership; every member has one vote. This means that credit unions are governed democratically, while banks are governed plutocratically.

Father Longin Tolczyk, a Roman Catholic priest with a strong social vocation, organized in 1972, the Polish and Slavic Center (PSC) as a member-owned and democratically member-governed social and cultural services not-for-profit organization. New York State law requires that a not-for-profit organization must sponsor the establishment of a credit union. Father Tolczyk established the PSC for the purpose of complying with legal requirements to organize the Polish and Slavic Federal Credit Union (PSFCU), which has become Polish America's top financial institution. Today, the PSFCU has 76,000 members and over one billion dollars in assets. It is America's largest ethnic credit union.

The By-Laws of the PSFCU require an annual meeting to elect either three, or four, of the eleven members of the Board of Directors, each of whom serves a three years' term. This coming Spring, for example, members will vote to elect three directors; four directors were elected at the 2012 May Annual Meeting. The By-Laws of the PSFCU also specify that if 750 members of our credit union request by petition a Special Meeting of the membership, then the Chair of the Board of Directors must convene such a special meeting.

At this May's Annual Meeting there was no time to discuss seven resolutions put forward by members and to vote on these resolutions. Five of these seven resolutions call for the expulsion for misconduct of four members of the Board of Directors and one member of the Supervisory Committee. Readers recall that at the Special Meeting in March 2012 the membership voted to expel four members of the Board and one member of the Supervisory Committee from the credit union for misconduct. Some of those accused of misconduct spoke in their own defense.

Until Labor Day weekend members of the PSFCU will be encouraging their fellow members to sign the petition calling for a Special Meeting. We must observe democratic forms in order to keep our not-for-profit credit union of the Polish people, by the Polish people, and for the Polish people.

On Sunday afternoon, 12 August 2012, approximately 150 attended an informational meeting organized by Mr. Marek Wysocki, an active member of the PSFCU who served this spring as interim Director, at the Dom Narodowy in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, New York, in order to learn more about the petition campaign to convene a Special Meeting.

The Special Meeting is necessary to give the membership more time to discuss the resolutions put forward at the Annual Meeting in May. If you are a member of the PSFCU, then you should sign the petition to call a Special Meeting. This will ensure that the PSFCU remains a democratically governed not-for-profit financial institution in the service of Polonia, rather than a bank to benefit selfish individuals.

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We can make a difference.....

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